

**Reply Comments of KFZR-LP Frazier Park, California
Ridge Route Communities Museum and Historical Society**

RE: Changes to Low Power FM Rules

KFZR-LP hereby submits this Reply Comment concerning technical changes to the LPFM rules. KFZR-LP supports all the proposed changes submitted by the FCC. A few commenters have supported the idea of allowing the use of Type Accepted transmitters for LPFM and flexibility of EAS which is also supported too.

KFZR-LP also supports the concept of the FCC officially opening opportunity for LPFM stations to upgrade to 250 watts. This is something desperately needed for low power stations that cover rural areas where residents are remotely-spaced. KFZR-LP is located in the mountains between Bakersfield and Los Angeles. It serves as the only outlet for local information.

Recently power outages and wildfires have become a regular occurrence in California. Upon episodes of power outages cell reception and internet can be down for days. The only option for local information is the low power station. Currently, KFZR-LP serves a small vicinity of Frazier Park proper. Co-locating our antenna on a mountain is not an option now since the wattage would be impractical for countering incoming interference, and too weak to penetrate walls. What KFZR-LP really needs to serve the vicinity for proper rural coverage is an upgrade to 250 watts.

The rulemaking text does not substantiate clear reasoning why the FCC cannot pursue a 250 watt LPFM service. This service would still be smaller than FM translator.

For the local safety of rural communities, LPFM is in need of 250 watts.

Sincerely,

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